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SUBJECT: SADAT-TITO CONSULTATION

1. PRESIDENT SADAT OF EGYPT ARRIVED YUGOSLAVIA MAY 29 AND HAD TWO HOUR MEETING WITH PRESIDENT TITO FOLLOWED BY DINNER AT TITO'S RESIDENCE AT BRDO KOD KRANJA. ACCORDING TO TANJUG DISPATCH, PRESIDENTS DISCUSSED MIDDLE EAST CRISIS AND POINTED OUT NEED TO HOLD GENEVA CONFERENCE "CERTAINLY IN THE COURSE OF THIS YEAR." ALSO DISCUSSED POSSIBILITY OF BROADENING PARTI-
CIPATION IN GENEVA CONFERENCE AND "IDEAS TO FORM A SEPARATE GROUP OF NONALIGNED COUNTRIES WHICH WOULD ACT DIRECTLY AND CONCRETELY, DIPLOMATICALLY AND POLITICALLY, IN EFFORTS TO FIND A SOLUTION AND PEACE IN THE MIDDLE EAST." SADAT QUOTED AS EXPECTING THAT SALZBURG MEETING WITH PRESIDENT FORD "WILL EVIDENTLY POINT TO THE REAL POSITION OF THE UNITED STATES TOWARDS THE MIDDLE EAST AND ITS SOLUTION."

2. IN TOASTS, TITO EMPHASIZED YUGOSLAVIA'S FULL SUPPORT FOR ARAB POSITION IN THEIR "JUST STRUGGLE" AND SAID MIDDLE EAST
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QUESTION "CANNOT BE SETTLED WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF A NARROW

CIRCLE OF COUNTRIES." ADDED THAT NONALIGNED COUNTRIES "WILL ALSO BE OF GREAT SIGNIFICANCE FOR A FINAL AND JUST OUTCOME." SADAT IN REPLY LIMITED HIMSELF TO FULSOME THANKS FOR YUGOSLAVIA'S SUPPORT AND PRAISE FOR YUGOSLAV ACHIEVEMENTS UNDER TITO'S LEADERSHIP, WITH NO MENTION OF GENEVA CONFERENCE.

3. DISCUSSIONS SCHEDULED TO CONTINUE MORNING MAY 30, WITH SADAT DEPARTING AT NOON MAY 30 FOR VIENNA.

4. EMBASSY HAS ATTEMPTED TO CONTACT EGYPTIAN EMBASSY OFFICERS RE VISIT BUT NONE OF THEM WILL BE BACK IN BELGRADE BEFORE MORNING OF JUNE 1. WE WILL TRY TO REACH SOMEONE AS SOON AS THEY ARE BACK.

5. COMMENT: ON BASIS OF ABOVE, IT APPEARS YUGOSLAVS MAY NOW BE PUSHING FOR PARTICIPATION IN GENEVA CONFERENCE WITH NO INDICATION EGYPTIANS ARE PROVIDING ENCOURAGEMENT. SILBERMAN

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